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Waiver Structure Work Group Meeting
Tuesday, 08/23/22 from 10:00AM - 12:00PM
Held via: Zoom Webinar

Attendance: Jessica Gorton BDS Facilitator; Krista Gilbert; Shannon Kelly; Michelle Donovan; Renee Fisher; Tim Leach; Deborah DeScenza; Josh Gehling BDS; Alecia Ortiz A&M; Stacey Rosenzweig A&M; Denise Garcia (CART)

Note: Members of the public who joined as attendees in listen-only mode are not included in this list.

Please reference the corresponding slide presentation for the detailed agenda, including topics and themes covered in the meeting and corresponding takeaways and applicable action items.

Major Topics and Themes	Key Discussion Areas
Housekeeping	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Josh Gehling, a clinical administrator at BDS, introduced himself and joined the Workgroup Meeting to provide additional context and expertise around the remaining services. Josh works with individuals with clinically complex backgrounds.
Support Services Definition Review and Drafting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Group reviewed the Service Definition for Specialty Services. The Group contemplated including OT/PT within the definition and wanted to ensure the description covered State plan services. The Group wanted to know how transportation fit in to the definition and wanted to ensure the definition was clear how someone would be eligible for services. There was discussion around how a broad definition allows for flexibility. If the goal is to create distinct services, ensure the definitions are clear so the service can be matched to different names in various areas of the state and providers. A question was brought up around if there would be limits an amount, frequency, or duration of the service.The Group reviewed the Service Definition for Consultations. It was noted that this definition has been applied to consultation directly with both an individual as well as with team members. The Group cautioned against using language that has implied judgementThe Group reviewed the Service Definition for Person-Centered Strategic Consulting. It was noted that the

	<p>description is dense and includes some provider qualifications, but these would need to be much more descriptive in the future. Some similarities to Consultative services were noted. A question was asked about whether there are providers for this service currently in New Hampshire? There was some interest in adding this service, but more detail would need to be provided. Open questions remain about who would provide this service and how individuals would access the service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Group reviewed the Service Definition for Professional Assessment and Monitoring. The group is considering this service but is not sure what the outcome of this service is and who would be providing the service. It was noted that this service looks like more medical consultative service. It is not clear to the group who would access this service. • The Group reviewed the Service Definition for Behavioral Support Services. This is currently utilized in New Hampshire under Specialty Services and is aligned with the CSNI definition for a behavior plan. The group generally liked the definition shown and requested additional timelines be added for various services. • The Group reviewed the Service Definition for Specialized Driving Assessments. A few clarifications were requested, specifically around provider qualifications and the term “team” within the definition. An example of this type of service was described in New Hampshire. • The Group reviewed the Service Definition for Goods and Services. The group is in support of this service, but needs more clarity on how to access it. • The Group reviewed the Service Definition for Crisis Response Services. This is usually used as an expedited means of funding. The group is in favor of this service. • The Group reviewed the Service Definition for Service Coordination. Clarifications were made to this definition, including defining types of Individual Service Agreement (ISA), clarifying benefit access and support, guardianship and supported decision making, housing and public housing voucher access. It was noted that this definition seems intentionally vague to support the extensive work of service coordinators. • The Group reviewed the Service Definition for Counseling and Support for Caregiver. The group discussed some clarifications, including if this could be used for natural supports at work, who would provide this service and what qualifications are needed, and implications of the word “counselling”, which may not reflect training and education.
Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Please refer to the corresponding work group PPT for details on assignments (if any) and next steps.</i>